

### **Software Engineering Institute**

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The Software Engineering Institute (SEI<sup>SM</sup>) is a federally funded research and development center sponsored by the Department of Defense to provide leadership in advancing the state of the practice of software engineering to improve the quality of systems that depend on software. SEI helps organizations and individuals improve their software engineering management practices.

### **Project Management Institute**

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### **Software Program Managers Network**

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